

POLICE BILL IS NOW A LAW.

GOVERNOR SIGNS IT AND BINGHAM GETS OUT THE AXE.

Biggest Shakeup in the History of the Department Is Expected Today—Many Inspectors and Sleuths to Retire—McLaughlin to Go, but Cortright Won't.

Gov. Hughes signed the Bingham bill at Albany yesterday, and the biggest shakeup in the history of the Police Department is at hand. Commissioner Bingham may expiate the bomb today. He has said that he will not delay in making the changes he has planned. Right off the reel he will get busy reorganizing the detective bureau and relegating inspectors to a line on the command of precincts and putting competent captains in their places.

What effect the law will have on the sleuths and the inspectors who know that they are slated to be turned down remains to be seen, but it is more than likely that many of them are entitled to retire on a pension with no time in quitting active work. A big batch of retirements is expected today, and the Commissioner has said that few, if any, will be held up.

Meas Cortright, who up to yesterday was chief inspector of the department, will not retire. Commissioner Bingham will immediately detail him as an acting inspector and have him continue the duties he has been performing. He has enjoyed the Commissioner's confidence and he will remain in his office in Mulberry street and have the same general supervision of the force that he has had right along. Not long ago Cortright went to Gen. Bingham and said he was willing to get out any time the Commissioner saw fit. He celebrated his fortieth anniversary as a policeman a week ago and feels that he is entitled to retirement, but Gen. Bingham prevailed upon him to reconsider his determination to sever his connection with the department.

There are only eight out of the nineteen inspectors who have their full time in and have reached the age of 55 years.

One of the first inspectors to be deposed is William F. McLaughlin, head of the detective bureau, but it is more than likely that he will hand in his shield without any delay. The Commissioner hasn't been at all satisfied with his management of the sleuths, and besides, with the reorganization of the bureau, he feels that there should be a new man in charge. It is said that McLaughlin is wealthy and has been anxious to get out for some time.

Inspector George W. McClusky will be among the first to go to a precinct. The activity of the police in the White Light district, where McClusky has been holding forth, caused Gen. Bingham to get after the inspector months ago. It is said the Commissioner has other reasons for not wanting him to command an inspection district.

On McClusky's heels will follow Inspector E. H. Hussey, who has been looking after the precincts in the White Light district. Hussey, with Inspector Richard Walsh and Sylvester Baldwin, went to Albany when the Bingham bill was before the Assembly Committee and opposed the measure. Both Hussey and Baldwin had been promoted by Gen. Bingham only a few months before, and he termed their action rank ingratitude. He has forgiven them for that, however, but since Hussey has been an inspector the Commissioner has learned things about the West Thirty-seventh street station when the late inspector was captain there.

Rooming raids made over his head have slated Inspector Walsh to be reduced to a precinct command. It is very likely, rumor has it, that the Commissioner will send every inspector he reduces to remote precincts. Inspectors Cortright, Titus, Schmitzberger, Cross, Dillon and O'Brien stand a show of being detailed as acting inspectors, but the others will make way for new blood. The wise ones have it that Schmitzberger will retain command of the traffic squad. Jimmy Dillon, one of the newest inspectors, is believed to have made a favorable impression on Gen. Bingham.

Capt. John J. Lantry of the East Fifty-first street station is the only one who has been named as a likely candidate for an inspection command, although the Commissioner has the captains in mind whom he intends to give acting details.

As the bill was originally drafted it provided for the appointment of 200 civilians as detectives and a civilian as head of the section was amended cutting out the appointment of civilians, and with reference to the chief of detectives the bill reads: "The person who shall be placed in charge of said detective bureau." &c. The measure doesn't state specifically whether "the person" referred to is a civilian or a member of the uniformed force, and as a result the Commissioner won't take a chance at appointing a citizen until he gets a ruling on it.

The detective bureau will be swept clean and few of the old guard will be retained. For the past few weeks the Commissioner has been busy getting new detective timber, and to-day he will be able to meet the old ones and put in their places young policemen shown in aptitude for sleuthing. There are 350 men detailed in the bureau, 150 of them detective sergeants. Not more than thirty in the whole lot, the Commissioner believes, are competent.

Stephen O'Brien, who is now in command of the Coney Island inspection district, will probably replace McLaughlin until the Commissioner learns definitely whether he can appoint a civilian chief of detectives.

Politicians and friends of inspectors and detectives who are to be deposed are expected in great numbers in Mulberry street to-day, but the Commissioner said they won't get further than the outer door.

WENDEL MUST PLEAD TO-DAY.

District Attorney's Office Rejects Overtures for Clemency.

The trial of Capt. Louis Wendel, the deposed commander of the First Battery, who was indicted on February 15 on two counts for grand larceny and was later for presenting a false claim for audit, has been put on the calendar of Judge Ross today in General Sessions for to-day. Capt. Wendel had already offered to plead guilty to one of the indictments if clemency was promised, but Assistant District Attorney Hart declined to accept it or make any promise, and the court-paralled officer will plead to-day to the three indictments. His lawyer, Abe Levy, declined to say what the plea will be.

WOMAN FIGHTS A BURGLAR.

Though Beaten She Hangs onto Him Until Help Comes.

Mrs. Ray Marks, the young wife of Morris Marks, a paper box maker of 830 Park avenue, Williamsburg, locked up her sister-in-law, who lives in the same house. On her return she found her kitchen door unlocked. In the dining room a strange man was moving about busily. He had gathered together all the silverware, as well as two candleholders and two brass clocks.

Before Mrs. Marks recovered from her astonishment the intruder rushed at her to prevent her making an outcry. He seized her by her throat and then locked the kitchen door.

Mrs. Marks began to fight. She freed herself and screamed for help. Neighbors who rushed to the flat found the doors locked. They got in by breaking the front door. As they did so the burglar ran out the kitchen door. Mrs. Marks was right behind him, followed by the neighbors.

She caught him on the front stoop. Turning savagely she struck him several times. Then three men caught hold of the thief and held him until Policeman Steers of the Vernon avenue station appeared. The thief resisted the cops, but he was quickly overpowered and taken to the police station, where a charge of burglary was made against him. He would say only that his name was William Noble and that he was twenty-two years old. He refused to tell where he lived.

The police found two dozen false keys in his possession as well as lockpicks, a small jimmy, a file shaped like a dagger and a revolver. He was taken immediately to the Lee avenue police court and arraigned before Magistrate Higginbotham. The prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge and admitted that he was a thief. He added that he had been caught in the act and was willing to take his medicine. The Magistrate committed him without bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

PENROSE NOT AT WHITE HOUSE.

Fails to Call on Roosevelt With the Other Members of the Postal Commission.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Senator Carter and Representative Moon, members of the joint postal commission authorized by Congress to look into the business methods of the Post Office Department, called on President Roosevelt to-day to introduce Arthur L. Dickinson and Francis F. White, representing firms of expert accountants who have been employed by the Government in connection with the inquiry.

Senator Penrose, another member of the commission, was not here. He has not visited the White House since the publication of the President's recent discovery that a political conspiracy of rich men had been formed to control the next Republican national convention. Senator Penrose was mentioned as having divulged the facts about the conspiracy, and it has been reported that he would soon come to Washington to see the President.

ROOF GARDEN BURNED.

Roiler Skating Rink and Two Theatres Put Out of Business by the Fire.

The roof garden and skating rink on top of the New York Theatre building, Broadway between Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets, was burned out early yesterday. It took the firemen more than two hours to get the flames under control, and some of water were poured into the building, damaging the New York and the Criterion theatres so badly that the houses cannot be occupied for some time. Practically all of the scenery and costumes of "The Tattooed Man" company were destroyed. The New York Theatre was closed, and a number of musical instruments destroyed, and the house had to close its doors last night.

Owing to dense clouds of choking smoke that poured up from the floor, which was packed underneath with rubber to deaden the rumbling sound of the skating, the firemen had a hard job fighting the flames. The skating rink was under the control of the fire department, and the companies were compelled to take turns at the pipe lines and ripping up, and even the firemen had to take a number of minutes at a time.

The fire was discovered by Policeman McCormick of the West Forty-seventh street station, who saw a fire through the glass of the roof garden, and by the time the firemen arrived it was getting pretty brisk. The fire was under the management of Henry Rosenberg, had a hard pine trunk, and when the fire got going it looked as if the firemen would have a hard time. A fire which was probably caused by defective insulation, started under the track at the southwest corner of the roof garden.

TO REMEDY TRANSFER ABUSES.

The B. R. T. Is Going to Put a New System in Operation on May 1.

Brooklynites have so abused the transfer privilege on the lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company that the officials have at last been compelled to inaugurate a new deal for their own protection. Under the present system the transfer tickets have been given for the asking, and in all the large department stores and in factories where many persons are employed there has been a regular exchanging of transfers, so that the holders only paid one fare for going from and to their homes. A new system will go into effect on May 1. This will limit the passenger to three separate transfers. Upon payment of a cash fare the conductor will issue a yellow transfer ticket. When this is taken a second transfer ticket will be given in exchange for the first. The holder of the second ticket will be given in exchange for the first. The holder of a green transfer will not be entitled to another transfer. The various lines in alphabetical order, the passenger will be compelled to designate the line he desires the transfer for and this will be punched.

SMOKE OUTS 25 FAMILIES.

Stock of Parlor Matches and Paper Consumed—Another Tenement Alar.

A fire started in the basement of the tenement house at the southwest corner of Avenue C and Second street late last night and found good food in a stock of parlor matches and paper. The fire was caused by a match thrown by Alexander Branover & Sons, who have a stationery and supply store on the street floor. The fire caused a great smoke and about twenty-five families in the building were driven out for the time being. While the firemen were engaged on this blaze there was an alarm for a fire at 63 and 65 Cannon street, where there is a double tenement. This also was in the cellar and worked mostly among the coals. It was put out after some excitement among the many tenants.

BAAR'S Restaurant, Park Row. Big. For Parlor Matches and Paper Consumed.

LAWYER E. H. M. ROEHR GONE.

INQUIRY INTO EX-ASSEMBLYMAN'S AFFAIRS TO BEGIN TO-DAY.

His Relatives and Business Associates Haven't Seen Him for Twelve Days, and the Heirs of an Estate of Which He Was Trustee Want an Accounting.

An examination will be begun this morning to ascertain just how Lawyer Edward H. M. Roehr stands. He has been away for twelve days and the heirs of an estate of which he was the trustee have been making inquiries for him in an effort to get some kind of an accounting.

The investigation will open at the lawyer's office on the twelfth floor of the Home Life Insurance Building, at 258 Broadway. It will be conducted under the supervision of District Attorney Clarke of Brooklyn and his first assistant, Robert H. Elder. The latter was a partner of Roehr for four years and until a few months ago, when he asked that the partnership be dissolved, as he was not satisfied with the way Roehr was doing business.

The reason the Brooklyn District Attorney will take up the investigation is that Roehr was appointed trustee in Kings county. The estate is that of the late Judge Charles Kiehl, once a prominent Democratic politician in the Sixteenth ward, Brooklyn. Judge Kiehl died eight years ago leaving from \$150,000 to \$200,000, mostly in mortgages and similar investments.

Judge Kiehl's estate was left to his granddaughter, Miss Louise Nabe, who died three months ago in the South, whither she had gone in search of health. Miss Nabe left a will making her mother, Mrs. Bertha Nabe, who lives at 835 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn, her heir. The other heir to the estate of Judge Kiehl is his daughter, Mrs. Mary Flint, who lives at 578 Decatur street, Brooklyn.

Both Mrs. Nabe and Mrs. Flint refused to discuss the matter yesterday, other than to say that they were unable to find Lawyer Roehr, and that they did not know just how their affairs stood. The two women say that they depended on Mr. Roehr to attend to all of their business affairs.

In 1897 Roehr was elected to the Assembly from the Sixth district, Brooklyn. Previous to that he had served as Speaker of the Assembly for the sessions of 1896-97 under Speaker Hamilton Fish. Roehr was at one time secretary of the Atlantic Yacht Club and was a lieutenant in the Fourteenth Regiment, N. G. N. Y. He was also a member of the Hardware Club of this city.

A week ago Friday night Roehr notified Elder that he was going to Philadelphia on business. He has not been seen at his office since. Four days ago Mr. Elder became worried and communicated with Mrs. Roehr at her home, 721 Midland avenue, Montclair.

Mrs. Roehr told Mr. Elder that she had not heard anything from her husband. She shut up the Montclair house on Saturday and she and her children are now at the home of her mother, Mrs. Clara Friedman, at 174 South Ninth street, Brooklyn.

Mr. Elder's decision to dissolve partnership with Roehr was caused by the fact that Roehr was being besieged by creditors, especially brokers, who demanded a settlement, and also by the fact that Roehr had permitted office accounts for stationary and rent to lapse until the firm was put in an embarrassing position. Mr. Elder some time ago called in Ralph Loyall, a young attorney, to look after his personal affairs. At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. Elder telephoned to his office asking that all of Mr. Roehr's papers be gathered together and guarded until this morning.

Mrs. Roehr says she has not the slightest idea where her husband can be. On his desk yesterday was a bunch of papers held down by a large glass paper weight which had been presented to him when he was clerk under Speaker Fish. Roehr's name was on the paper weight in frosted lettering. In front of the weight were the pictures of his two pretty children. A photograph of Mrs. Roehr was on the wall back of the desk.

Edward H. M. Roehr is about 40 years old and was born in Brooklyn. He was sent to one of the German universities, from which he was graduated with high honors. His father, Col. Henry E. Roehr of the Thirty-second Regiment, National Guard, and a veteran of the civil war, owned the Evening Press, the Brooklyn German paper. His press is now published by Carl J. Roehr, a brother of the missing man.

Edward drifted from his father's newspaper to one of the leading Brooklyn dailies and made something of a name for himself as a reporter. He was sent to Albany as a correspondent for this paper, and while there attracted the attention of Speaker Fish, who advised him to take up the study of law, and the young man did so. He was soon admitted to the bar.

Roehr returned to Brooklyn to practice and in time formed the partnership with Elder. The two had been reporters together in Brooklyn. Roehr was at one time chosen president of the Bank of the Commonwealth in Montague street, but his career as a financier was brief, for the bank went under.

After being elected an Assemblyman, Roehr married Annie Friedman, whose father was a wholesale baker in the Eastern District. The baker presented the couple with a wedding present in the shape of a fine home on Vernon avenue, in which the couple lived until they went to Montclair a year ago.

\$20,000 METAL ROBBERY.

Assayer and Vendors Accused of Defrauding a Newark Refinery.

Detectives clanked up what is said to be a \$20,000 metal robbery at the Ballast Streeting and Refining Works in Passaic avenue, Newark, last night, when they arrested John J. Kleisler, an assayer for the firm; Max Lefkowitz of Newark and Harris Alderman, a refiner, of Jersey City. Kleisler says the samples of metals purchased from Lefkowitz and Alderman by the firm, and is alleged to have entered into a conspiracy which has resulted in a small fortune for himself and the two metal vendors. Kleisler is said to have made a confession which involves the others.

Assaying Proportion Is It Possible? "Gold-Silver-Copper World" to-day on page 2.

GREAT WELCOME FOR TAFT.

Natives Turn Out to Greet Him on Way From San Juan to Ponce.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. SAN JUAN, P. R., April 16.—The reception given by Secretary Taft last night was a brilliant success. Guests from all parts of the island were present.

Mr. Taft and his party left early for Ponce, stopping over the military road. The first stop was at Caguas. The town was decorated with flags and there was a great assemblage of natives to welcome the party.

The new bridge at the entrance to the town was opened to the public to-day. Miss Marjorie Ide christening it with a bottle of champagne. It was named the Winthrop Bridge in honor of the retiring Governor, Beekman Winthrop.

After the opening of the bridge the party proceeded to the city hall, where a reception was held. Mayor Jimenez welcomed the visitors. He praised Gov. Winthrop and his administration.

Mr. Taft in response expressed profound appreciation at the abundant evidences on all sides of the prosperity of the island and the town of Caguas. He particularly offered to help the island, but was absolutely silent regarding Porto Rico's political status.

ACCUSED AND ACCUSER FAINT.

One Woman Charges Another With Taking \$2 From Her Bag at the Bridge.

Mrs. J. B. Roberts of 110 Ashland place, Brooklyn, created a commotion at the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge last night by grabbing another woman and declaring that the latter had robbed her. The two women screamed in union. Policeman John Ryan of the bridge squad had difficulty in finding out what the trouble was, as both women fainted.

Mrs. Roberts declared at the Oak street station that the other woman had taken \$2 from her bag. The woman so charged was placed under arrest. She gave her name as Mrs. Ida Morgenstein and said that she lived at 275 1/2 Madison street. The prisoner when searched was found to have \$2.00 on her person.

Mrs. Morgenstein was charged with larceny and taken to the police station. She was released this morning in the Tombs police court.

MELBA'S VOICE IS HIGH BLUE.

Purple Splashes in 11-Englishman Concerts With Tunes.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 16.—The translation of sounds into colors is a new idea, but Mrs. Northek Wilson, lecturing in London on the relation of colors to music, has made some interesting additions to the familiar comparisons.

She described Mme. Melba's voice as high blue, splashed occasionally with purple. Alice Gomez's vocalization, she said, suggested orange. Forbes Robertson had a violet voice speckled with green, which is the color of depression.

Mrs. Wilson contended that every sound conveyed an idea of color to those who were in a proper state of vibration. Blind people were particularly sensitive in this respect to both agreeable and disagreeable sounds.

A raucous voice, according to Mrs. Wilson, gave a blind man a dirty green feeling.

TO CONTROL THE NEXT DUMA.

New Electoral Law Submitted to Russian Senate by the Bureaucracy.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, April 16.—The Ministry of the Interior has prepared for the sanction of the Imperial Senate a new electoral law based on proportional representation. The new law greatly reduces the peasant and artisan vote and creates an educational and property qualification.

To-day's debate in the Duma was upon cases of provincial maladministration. It has angered the bureaucratic world. The entire hierarchy is now agitating for the dissolution of the Duma.

EX-CONVICT CALLS ON HUGHES.

Col. Treadwell Took Him for an Assemblyman and Passed Him In.

ALBANY, April 16.—One of the boasts of the present administration is that the Governor is accessible to everybody in office hours.

Gov. Hughes, however, found his accessibility rather overdone the other day when a convict called on him for a Governor of all the people. The Governor was examining some papers and was leaning over his desk. He was conscious that somebody was seated alongside of him, and looking up saw a man whom he had never seen before. The Governor was surprised that the stranger had not been introduced by his military secretary. But he turned to him with outstretched hand and said:

"How are you?"

"I've just got out of jail," said the stranger. The Governor looked sharply at him, but he retained his composure and said:

"What were you in for?"

"Burglary. The Governor looked sharply at him, but he retained his composure and said:

"Were you guilty?"

"Yes."

"How long were you in?"

"Can I do anything for you?"

"You bet you can. I've got a number of complaints against the Governor and the legislature. I want you to treat the fellows in there and I made up my mind I'd come right to the Governor with my knuck."

The ex-convict, drawing out a long rock of paper, read off his complaints against the prison management and the Governor threatened to throw some of the points made were worthy of consideration, for he made note of them. He told the ex-convict that he would look into the matter, and the jailbird thanked him profusely.

After he had gone the Governor turned to his military secretary, Col. Treadwell, and asked:

"Did you know that man was a convict?"

"Why no," answered the surprised military secretary. "I thought he was an Assemblyman."

SENATORS TO CONSULT HUGHES.

BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO DRAFT A REAPPORTIONMENT BILL.

Republicans in Upper House Hold a Conference and Find They're All at Sea—Governor to Get Advice From Those Who Know and Avoid Another Upset.

ALBANY, April 16.—That no move will be made to draft a bill reapportioning the Senate districts by the Republican Senators without first consulting Gov. Hughes was made evident to-night. The Republican Senators held a conference and every one admitted that he was entirely at sea.

Gov. Hughes is keeping quiet as to what his desires in the matter are. This much is known, and that is the Governor is studying the question closely.

The Governor is going to have the best advice possible in the matter. He is determined that no bill will be passed that the Court of Appeals can upset should an attack be made upon its constitutionality. A close friend of Gov. Hughes said that before the Governor makes known what his intentions are he will consult with those who are acquainted with political conditions and who are in a position to know about the redistricting of the State.

This information will not have a soothing effect upon the Senators who had things arranged so nicely under the reapportionment act of last year, which the Court of Appeals has upset. The persons whom the Governor may consult are not likely to be members of the Higgins "kitchen cabinet," and they are not likely to be those who wish to feather their own political nests at the expense of the party.

The conference of the Republican Senators proved to be a most unsatisfactory affair. All admitted they didn't know where they stood. Senator Raines took grim consolation in reading from the dissenting opinion of the court, which declared the act of last year was all right. But other Senators couldn't see how that was going to help matters so long as the majority of the court had said that the law was unconstitutional. Others read from the prevailing opinion and one of them said after the conference:

"After we finished listening to that we all wondered what in thunderation the court meant."

Sensors Armstrong, Aldis, Hooker, Wilcox, Cassidy, Sax, Page and Hill discussed the opinion of the Court of Appeals and no two of them took the same view of the question. Some Senators believe that it means an entire new reapportionment, while others hold to the belief that by making one Senatorial district of Richmond, Suffolk and Nassau and leaving Queens a district in itself, as well as changing the boundaries of the Thirteenth district, they can meet the decision of the Court of Appeals. However, others pointed to the grave danger of the act again being declared unconstitutional.

One of the surprising turns of the conference was that, when it broke up, no suggestion had been made for another conference and no suggestion made that a committee should be appointed to draft a reapportionment bill. This is taken to mean that nothing will be done until the views of Gov. Hughes are ascertained.

DELAY ON KELSEY REPORT.

Senate Judiciary Committee Not Likely to Take Action To-day.

ALBANY, April 16.—There is a chance of a vote on the question of what kind of a report the Senate Judiciary Committee shall make to the Senate on the question of the removal of State Superintendent of Insurance Kelsey being deferred until next week.

Senator Kinnaman of Binghamton, who is a member of the committee, has gone to his home in Seneca Falls, chairman of the committee, says that probably on that account action will be deferred, when the committee meets to-morrow, although the question of whether action shall be taken at once will be brought up.

Gov. Hughes, it is known, doesn't care how long the delay will be and friends of the Governor say that despite the absence of Senator Kinnaman there are enough votes in the committee to secure a report recommending removal.

Should action be deferred to-morrow afternoon, that means that the Governor will have a splendid chance to make some reference to the Kelsey removal in his speech at the Chamber of Commerce dinner at Buffalo Thursday night. The Buffalo Senators will accompany him to that city, so that there isn't any chance of the matter coming up in the Senate on Thursday.

That there are two sides on the question of removal is absolutely certain to-night. Senators Grady and McCarran are expected to deliver fifteen Democratic Senators and Senator Raines is to deliver at least eleven Republican Senators and possibly twelve. But that Senator Raines can fulfill his contract is something that the Governor's friends will not admit.

WISCONSIN SENATOR VOTE.

First Ballot in Legislature Shows Little Change From Caucus.

MADISON, Wis., April 16.—The first ballot for United States Senator, taken this noon, by the Legislature resulted as follows: Cooper, 18; Leach, 18; Hatten, 15; Leach, 18; Stephenson, 19; Baensch, 6; Hudnall, 1; Scofield, 1; Rogers, 1; Estabrook, 1; Winkler, 3; Whitehead, 1; G. W. Bird (Democrat), 23; Rummel (Socialist), 5.

There was only one change from Monday night's caucus vote in the open session. The change was in the open session.

NEW INTERNAL REVENUE HED.

Commissioners Offered to Col. Pearl Wright of New Orleans.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Col. Pearl Wright of New Orleans has been asked by President Roosevelt to become Commissioner of Internal Revenue to succeed John W. Yerkes of Kentucky, who resigned. Col. Wright had luncheon with the President to-day. He has the tender under consideration. Col. Wright is the Republican national committeeman from Louisiana. He has big business interests and is well to do.

Wright is a native of Rockland, Me. He went to New Orleans forty years ago and started a general supply business for railroads, steamships and plantations. The firm has long been known as Woodward, Wright & Co.

ROOSEVELT'S FOUR MAXIMS.

Jacob Rills Tells Young Women of the President's Concentrated Wisdom.

PHILADELPHIA, April 16.—Roosevelt's hitherto unpublished maxims were given to the pupils of Miss Hill's school to-day by Jacob Rills in an address.

"The President has placed his policy in four hitherto unspoken maxims," said Mr. Rills, "which I will give as guides to you young women."

"First—Fit yourself for the work God has for you to do in this world and lose no time about it."

"Second—Have all the fun that is coming to you."

"Third—Go ahead, do something and be willing to take responsibility."

"Fourth—Learn by your mistakes."

"No one can drive the President. He is always right to himself, in his own judgment. He may do wrong, but I have yet to see him do wrong, and if he does he learns from his errors."

LOSING MONEY ON 3 CENT FARES.

Cleveland Electric Railway Co. Reports Losses to City Council.

CLEVELAND, April 16.—In its report to the City Council the Cleveland Electric Railway Company says that the operation of cars at a three cent fare, in accordance with the avowed policy of the city administration, is a losing venture.

The report says that the cost of carrying passengers was in excess of three cents and that the expense would not warrant a continuance of the test.

ALDERMEN TO HAVE BADGES.

Board Votes to Buy Them, Seeing That Members Get No Salary.

The Jersey City Board of Aldermen decided last night to ask the Board of Finance to appropriate \$50 for aldermanic badges. Near the close of the meeting Alderman Allen, Dickinson Republican, figured out that the cost of a badge would be only \$2. He said he thought the Aldermen were entitled to more expensive badges, inasmuch as they receive no salaries. The vote was reconsidered and Allen's amendment that the amount be increased from \$50 to \$150 was adopted.

3 FIRES IN EX-SHERIFF'S HOUSE.

O'Brien Tells the Police That Oil Was Used to Start Them.

Ex-Sheriff William J. O'Brien reported to the police of the East Fifty-first street station last night that three attempts had been made earlier in the day to burn an apartment house owned by him at 432 East Fifty-first street. The house is a five story building and is occupied by five families.

Mrs. Daniel Ryan, who lives on the third floor, found the carpet upon the stairway from the second floor to her door ablaze. Oil had been poured upon the floor. An hour later Mrs. Robert Discons discovered a fire in the same place. The time the Fire Department was called. The last fire was found in the hallway of the third floor shortly after 7 o'clock last night. Again oil had been used.

WARSHIPS COMING HERE MAY 15.

Admiral Evans's Squadron to Have Ten Days Liberty in New York.

NORFOLK, Va., April 16.—It was officially announced to-day that the entire fleet of battleships and armored cruisers now in Hampton Roads under the command of Rear Admiral Evans will remain until May 15. On that date the first division of the fleet, which includes the Louisiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Virginia, Georgia, Maine and Missouri, all new